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Subscribed Capital	£4,500,000	
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II—Fire Funds		3,837,047
III—Life & Annuity Funds		17,567,590
Sinking Fund Account		128,230
		£23,970,367
Revenue Fire Branch		£2,381,456
" Life and Annuity Branches		2,141,593
Revenue Marine Department		337,239
Other Receipts		478,940
		£5,339,228

The Accumulative Funds of the various Branches are separately invested, and, by Act of Parliament, are set aside to meet the claims under the respective Departments of the Company's Business.

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TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS

7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.	Every 10 minutes.
10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS.

8.50 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. every half hour.

11.00 p.m. to 11.45 p.m. every quarter of an hour.

SUNDAYS.

7.30 a.m.	
8.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.	Every 15 minutes
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	Every 10 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12 Noon	Every 15 minutes.
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
1.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
5.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
6.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
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NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

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SPECIAL CARS by arrangement at the Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, Des Voeux Road Central.

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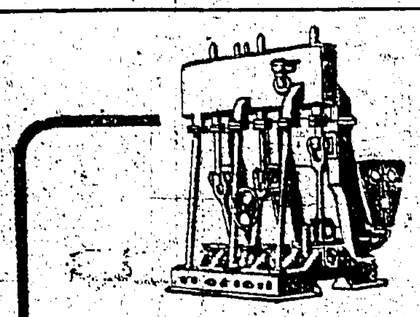
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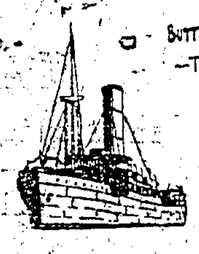
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ENEMY OFFENSIVE RESUMED.

HEAVY ATTACKS ON BRITISH AND FRENCH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BRITISH AND FRENCH FIERCELY ATTACKED.

FIGHT FOR CHEMIN-DES-DAMES.

LONDON, May 27, 11.55 p.m.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

At 3.30 on the morning of the 27th the British Divisions, holding a sector of the French Front astride the Aisne at Berry-au-Bac between Bermericourt and Craonnelle, were heavily attacked.

At the same time hostile attacks in great strength were made against the French on our right; also against the French Divisions on our left along the high ground traversed by Chemin-des-Dames.

In the British sector the enemy's attack was supported by Tanks and was accompanied by an intense bombardment with gas-shells.

Our troops on the right maintained their battle positions and kept in close touch with the French.

On our left the enemy succeeded, after heavy fighting, in pressing us back to our second line of prepared positions.

Severe fighting continues all along the Front.

Strong enemy attacks this morning on the Locre-Voormezeele front were repulsed by the French after fierce fighting and great enemy losses.

The enemy penetrated for a short distance the French positions in the neighbourhood of Dickebusch Lake where fighting is continuing.

Other localities into which the enemy penetrated during the first attack have been re-gained by the French in counter-attacks, and a number of the enemy have been taken prisoners.

BRITISH MASTERY OF THE AIR.

MORE GERMAN PLANES BROUGHT DOWN.

LONDON, May 28.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on aviation, says:—

Owing to low clouds and mist on the 26th little flying was possible until the evening.

Our aeroplanes dropped four tons of bombs in the neighbourhoods of Armentieres and Fricourt.

We brought down six enemy aeroplanes. No British machine is missing.

Our aeroplanes dropped 20 heavy bombs on the Bensdorf railway station on the 27th. Bursts were seen on the railway sidings.

Hostile scouts heavily attacked bombers over the objective.

One of our machines was seen to go down under control.

All others have returned.

FOE'S ATTACKS REPULSED.

LONDON, May 27, 4.30 p.m.

A French communiqué states:—

There was lively artillery firing at night-time in Champagne, to the right of the Meuse, the Forest of Apremont and in Woevre.

Local enemy attacks on the Forest of Apremont were repelled after a fight, with enemy losses.

Enemy attempts in the region of Limey, north-east of Bodon-Villers, also failed.

We took prisoners.

THE BELGIAN FRONT.

LONG-RANGE GUNS BOMBARDMENT.

LONDON, May 28.

A Belgian communiqué states:—

Long-range guns fired on our back areas yesterday.

TITANS AT GRIPS.

ENEMY PUSH TOWARDS AISNE VALLEY.

DEARLY-BOUGHT SUCCESSES.

LONDON, May 28, 12.50 a.m.

A French communiqué states:—

The battle continued throughout the day with extreme violence on a front of over 40 kilometres, between the region of Vauxaillon to the outskirts of Bremont.

Enemy masses are coming to grips with our front line troops and, regardless of losses, they pushed towards the valley of the Aisne with some of their elements, who reached the neighbourhood of Pontarly at the end of the day.

The French and British troops in Echelon are retiring methodically and in perfect *liason*, making the enemy pay very dearly for his first inevitable successes, and assuring by resistance, inch by inch, the efficacious use of reserves.

Artillery activity continues very lively on both banks of the Meuse, in the region of St. Mihiel and on the Lorraine front.

GERMANS CLAIM CAPTURE OF CHEMIN-DES-DAMES RIDGE.

LONDON, May 28.

A wireless German evening official report claims the capture of the whole of the Chemin-des-Dames ridge.

RECKLESS SACRIFICE OF ENEMY TROOPS.

TERRIBLE BOMBARDMENT WITH GAS-SHELLS.

GERMANS GAIN FOOTING ON FRENCH LINE.

LONDON, May 27.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing this evening, says:—

The German bombardments this morning were scarcely less violent than those preceding March 21st. Gas-shells were prodigally employed, the north-easterly wind diffusing it widely over the Allied front.

There was a very intensive fire between the Ypres Canal and the Nieppe Forest, while the area west of Lens and the Scarpe Valley was also heavily bombarded.

The enemy is heavily shelling our far back areas with high velocity guns. His airmen are unusually venturesome, although our aviators are harrassing and chasing German machines to a degree which does not leave them much opportunity to carry out their functions.

The British on the French flank have been engaged by the Germans, who came in familiar formations of dense waves, keeping close in the wake of their lifting barrage.

Against the first heavy shock the French stood stoutly on the left and centre, but were pressed back slightly in the vicinity of the farm on the right. During the morning the Germans, with characteristic recklessness of the cost, continued to push with fresh troops. The French were obliged to yield more ground. Subsequently, counter-attacking, they restored the line at most places, taking over 100 prisoners.

The Germans at present have a footing on the French front line south of Dickebusch for a distance of 800 yards. They also have some hold on another point of the front line system in this region. The situation, however, appears to be well in hand.

Reports from the battle-field breathe confidence. Our artillery and the French artillery are barraging the German positions intensely. The enemy casualties must be very heavy.

(Continued on Page 5.)

INTIMATIONS

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 30th May, 1918, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th April, 1918.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 24th May, to Thursday, the 30th May, 1918, INCLUSIVE.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 18, 1918. 438

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the HONGKONG CLUB will be held in the LARGE DINING ROOM, on FRIDAY, the 31st May, 1918, at 5.30 P.M.

Business:—To confirm the Resolution passed on the 16th inst. as posted in the Hall of the Club.

By Order
E. DES VŒUX,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 17, 1918. 431

CARVALHO & CO.

WE Have This Day appointed Mr. EDWARD JOSEPH NORONHA to be the Manager of our Firm and have authorised him to Sign our firm Name, per procuration.

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Hongkong, May 25, 1918. 464

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G. R.

NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that in consequence of the continued absence of rain in sufficient quality to replenish the gravitation reservoirs, and one of the new pumping engines at Taitam Tuk being unavailable for service, it is necessary to curtail the Supply of Water to the Rider Main Districts.

On and after the 29th instant and until further notice, a supply to such Districts will be given by Public Fountains only.

W. CHATHAM,
Water Authority.

Public Works Department,
Hongkong, May 18, 1918. 471

G. R.

NOTICE.

ON and after the 1st June, GAP ROCK and WAGLAN will exhibit their Proper Lights from sunset to sunrise.

C. W. BECKWITH,
Commander R.N.,
Harbour Master, &c., &c., &c.

Harbour Department,
Hongkong, May 25, 1918. 460

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL.

A NEW CLASS for "BEGINNERS" will commence on TUESDAY, 4th June, 1918, if sufficient support be forthcoming.

Application for enrolment and enquiries regarding hours of School Fees, etc., should be made to the Undersigned as early as possible.

By Order,
A. R. LOWE,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, May 27, 1918. 481

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Hongkong, April 10, 1918. 319

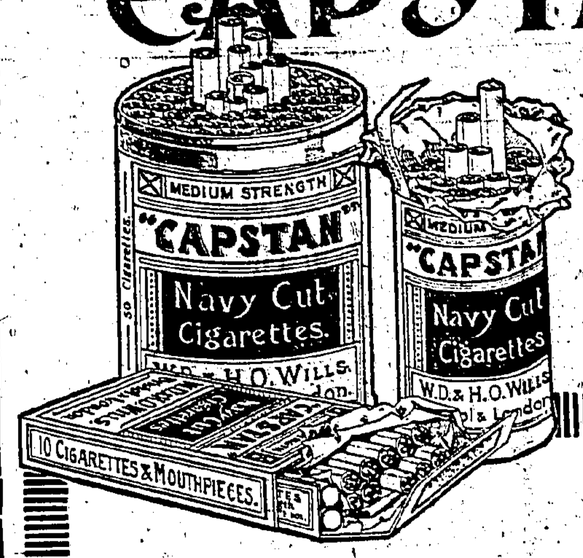
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NOTES AND NEWS.

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THE SWING OF THE PENDULUM.

We are witnessing an astonishing swing of the pendulum. The rise of the Turks in Europe first severed the overland route to the East. So Columbus sailed to the West to find the East by way of the sea—and discovered America. Today the spread-eagling of the paramount confederate of the Turks threatens the same land areas. Now sons of Columbus's new world come steaming from the West, while a Russian Government, established in the land of Kublai Khan, is to march back from the East, in armed association with the island Power against which Coleridge's hero made such bitter war by sea.

THE NUMEROUS TIME-ZONES.

What a winding-up of watches there will be, if they bring home "time" with them, when the Brazilian fighting sailors join ours. Some of the Brazilians will find themselves three hours, some four hours, some five hours slow, according to Greenwich—for they have three time-zones at home. With Americans the position is still more complex. They have five different standard times—Atlantic (or maritime), Eastern, Central, Mountain and Pacific. And then the Pacific Islands! What the people in England call noon to-day will be midnight in Fiji, but it is then 12.30 a.m. with the victorious Anzacs in Samoa, a difference of 23½ hours in 500 miles.

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THE DOUBLE-EDGED PEACE TREATIES.

The double game which Germany is just now playing of making peace treaties serve as a shield for war and annexation against those with whom the treaties are signed, is a development of Bismarck's specialised diablerie. Familiar as we all are with the story of the forged telegram at Ems which made the Franco-Prussian war, we forget the corollary of that act. We forget his fictitious peace policy. There at Ems, while Roon and Moltke watched him, he committed forgery and high treason, and his vile associates acclaimed his villainy with—thanks to God, as the Kaiser acclaims the perfidy of his minions to-day.

Thanks to God for a crime against humanity—then an act to save his face. The war, which he had rendered irrevocable, must seem French-made with British connivance. After his outrage had been wrought, Bismarck actually had the effrontery to complain to our Ambassador, Lord Augustus Loftus, that "Great Britain should have forbidden France to enter the war." He said it as soon as his trick had matured; he repeated it later when all was smiling for German arms. Lord Morley has shown how overwhelming would have been the discomfiture of Bismarck had his mock plea for intervention succeeded.

A CHEERFUL BEGGAR.

TRIBUTE TO MR. GEORGE ROBEY'S WAR CHARITY WORK.

If laughter is a commercial asset, no one has turned it to better account than Mr. George Robey. During the past three years the famous comedian has raised over £50,000 for war charities, and as a mark of gratitude he was entertained at luncheon recently at the Criterion and presented with a silver tea and coffee service and an illuminated address.

Sir William Dunn presided, and among those who attended to do honour to Mr. Robey were Lord Chesterfield, Lord Burnham, Lord Blyth, Sir George Riddell, Sir Thomas Lipton, Sir E. Marshall Hall and Sir Desmond O'Callaghan. Letters were read from Viscount French and Lord Jellicoe which were warmly appreciative of Mr. Robey's work.

Sir William Dunn, in proposing the health of Mr. Robey, referred to him as the "Master of our mirth and the lord of our laughter."

"I am not really a good financier," explained Mr. Robey, "but I am a desperado when I want money. When I received my first income tax paper I was asked to give my occupation. I did not understand it, so I wrote 'adventurer' across it. The authorities saw the comic side, and I heard no more." (Laughter.)

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(From the *Ohio State Journal.*)

Three designs, says the *Rangoon Gazette*, have been received for the Australian monument to be erected on the banks of the Suez Canal, two Australian and one Italian. By the terms of the competition the monument is to represent an Australian mounted trooper, and it is to be placed opposite De Lesseps' statue at Port Said. The estimated cost is £5,000 which has already been subscribed by the men in the field.

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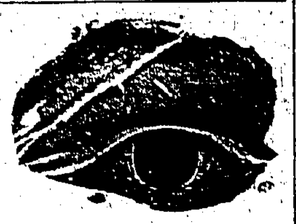
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Some day, says the "New York Herald," when the world settles down again, there is a possibility of an inter-collegiate regatta on the Yangtsze Kiang, the Hoang Ho or in Hongkong Harbour. This is no idle dream, for up at Columbia the first Chinese rowing crew that has ever been seen in this country, or any other, for that matter, is practising diligently on the machines and expects in a few weeks to go out on the water and pull the sweeps through. Certain scoffers maintained that the fact that Chinese students were being trained in the art of oarsmanship was more or less of a joke, but a visit to the Columbia gymnasium gave visual proof that the Oriental right is rapidly becoming an actuality. In fact, there is not only one eight, but two, and they are going to have it out in the springtime, probably on the Hudson over at Edgewater, to see which has learned the most. None of the boys ever had any experience in pulling an oar previously, but they are all enthusiastic and anxious to get out on the water.

K. L. Kwong, a graduate of Kang Kow University, has been the leading spirit in the movement to teach the Chinese how to row. He was a member of the Chinese wrestling team, and, seeking to strengthen his arms and back, he asked Jim Rice, the coach, and Fred Plaisted, his assistant, if he could practise on the rowing machines with the varsity squad. He had another friend who was anxious to do the same thing, and Fred Plaisted, in a sort of joking mood, told him that if he could organize a crew they would be coached. The next day Kwong came down with sixteen fellow students from China, and would practice faithfully, and every day now they are down, pulling away at the camouflage oars.

Kwong is the captain and stroke of the first crew. He, like most of the others, is studying political science, and most of the oarsmen come from the neighbourhood of Shanghai. Kwong said that when they go back to China they expect to spread the propaganda of the oar.

He said:—"It seems a shame to find that the Chinese students in our home country do not take up such a fine sport for building up one's physique. You can always tell a Chinese student even from the rear by the slouchy way he walks. This exercise will straighten them out, and when we go back we shall try to have rowing taken up in the various colleges throughout the republic."

Kwong said that there were some fine stretches of water for holding races. Just near by St. John's College, at Hongkong, there is a river that would be ideal for the sport, and near the Hang Kow University there is another place ideal for a rowing course. He also stated that Hongkong Harbour would be a great place for rowing races.

The general build of the oarsmen is not very big as compared to the usual candidate for an American crew. Most of them are compactly built, though. Kwong, the stroke, weighs only 125 pounds, but he is as solid as a rock and is one of the best wrestlers of his class in college. Dr. Elliott, of the physical department, declared he had one of the best hearts of any of the athletes he had examined.

Dr. Wellington Koo, now the Ambassador to the United States from China, was a student at Columbia not so long ago, and he was quite enthusiastic over sports.

An idea of how serious the rowing is taken by the Chinese students is shown by a monitor who keeps a book of the attendants every day and each candidate is checked off when he appears for practice.

THE JAPANESE LANGUAGE

WHY N.S.W. IS TEACHING IT.

The New South Wales Department of Education is introducing the teaching of Japanese in the secondary schools of the State and at the Sydney University. Although the two Japanese professors engaged in Japan by Professor Murdoch, lecturer in Japanese history to the University, reached Sydney only a week or two ago, they are already busy with their Australian classes. At the High School, North Sydney, and the High School in Sydney itself, about fifty boys, selected for the study of Japanese, are tackling the rudiments of "the most difficult language in the world." Professor Murdoch, who has been an interested spectator of the initial lessons, predicts for these lads—the majority of whom are not more than thirteen years of age—remarkable progression. In fact, he says they have displayed even a greater aptitude for grasping their introductory lessons than he has observed during his thirty years' residence in Japan many native-born Japanese boys to possess. He says he hopes soon that the demand for a knowledge of Japanese among the youth of New South Wales will grow to such an extent that it will be necessary to import more Japanese teachers.

A BENEFIT TO THE EMPIRE.

In the course of an interview, Professor Murdoch explained the reasons which actuated the New South Wales Government in introducing the study of Japanese into the ordinary secondary school curriculum. Summarised, they are aimed at the encouragement of commercial relations between Australia and Japan. "Japan," says Professor Murdoch, "is our nearest neighbour. She has 60,000,000 very busy people. When one includes Formosa and Korea, that means 20,000,000 more. A knowledge of her language will in the future be one of the biggest achievements of a young Australian, and open up to him a career in the East, which will not only be lucrative to himself, but will be of immense benefit from a commercial aspect to not merely Australia but to the whole British Empire. The Japanese language, in the written character, is based on the Chinese, and one who has a knowledge of how to write Japanese can in a few months master the caligraphy of China. Add the teeming millions of China to those of Japan, and there do not appear any limits to the usefulness of a young Australian who has a knowledge of the two languages." Professor Murdoch went on to point out that New South Wales was the pioneer British possession to seriously take up the teaching of Japanese and the fact had already been so commented on by American citizens in Japan—who had a deep appreciation of the commercial value of the language—that he looked in the near future to the introduction of Japanese classes in American schools.

A STUPENDOUS GROWTH.

"The growth of Japanese trade since the outbreak of war," said the Professor, "has been stupendous. When the war concludes it is going to extend further. Great Britain has practically lost all her young men who were conversant with the language and caligraphy of Japan. They volunteered for active service to a man, and 70 per cent. of them are casualties. If we want to share in Japan's commercial prosperity after the war we must replace those men. Germany has already recognised the necessity of a knowledge of Japanese. There are about 3,000 or 4,000 Germans in Japan as prisoners of war, and every one of them is feverishly studying the language of the country. When the war is over those prisoners will become Germany's commercial agents in the East. If the British Empire has no young men with a knowledge of Eastern languages to compete with them, then Germany is going to beat us badly for Japanese trade. Therefore we must train our young men to meet the requirements of competition." Professor Murdoch went on to say that on the way from Japan to Australia he had met several Australian merchants who had spent amounts ranging from £10,000 to £30,000 on Japanese goods. These men, he said, were building up the trade, and they must have representatives, and Australian representatives in Japan with a knowledge of Japanese, so that their interests could be safely looked after. In a few years' time therefore, there would be a big opening for young Australians in the East who were Japanese linguists.

A DIFFICULT LANGUAGE.

No secret is made by Professor Murdoch of the difficulty of becoming a proficient Japanese scholar. He has seen native-born Japanese children, he says, who have occupied nine years in learning to write their own language proficiently. "The Japanese," he exclaimed, "writes in the Chinese character. They had no caligraphy until they became acquainted with the Chinese. There is no alphabet. Their written characters are idiographs, expressing each one an idea or a sound. To gain a full and finished knowledge of their language and how to to write it—I am speaking now on the matter of grammar—one has to learn between 4,000 and 5,000 characters. There are any number of Europeans who know 400 or 500 of the characters; there are some who know 2,000 or 3,000; but there are very few who know the lot. It will be our aim to teach the lot. The student who learns all can in a very short time make himself acquainted with the Chinese as well as the Japanese language, and that is an advantage not to be overlooked. For the reasons I mention it is no good beginning the teaching of Japanese at the University; that must be done in the secondary schools. There must be a good ground work, for the Japanese system of instruction is certainly the most complicated on the face of the earth. As the years go on, however, it is getting more simplified. I do not hesitate to say that young Australians will be able to hold their own with the boys of any nation in acquiring a full and complete knowledge of the language and its caligraphy." Professor Murdoch proceeded to explain that the full course, as introduced in the New South Wales schools, would take eight years' study to complete at the rate of six hours' instruction per week. That would produce a finished Japanese scholar. Classes were, however, being opened for the teaching of merely colloquial Japanese, which could be used commercially to an extent. There would be no course for colloquial instruction, merely a year or so of training.

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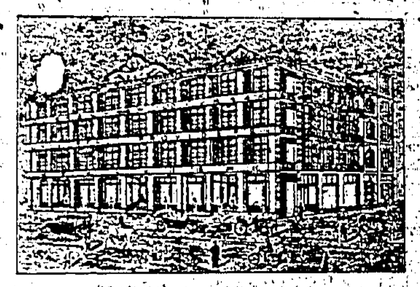
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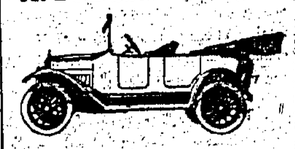
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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, May 29, 1918.

THE CONSCRIPTION BILL.

We print in another column the text of the Bill which is to be introduced in the Legislative Council to-morrow for the purpose of carrying into effect the decision to extend conscription to the Colony. Clause V of the Bill provides that "it shall be lawful for the Proper Authority to order any male British subject of or over the age of eighteen years, who for the time being shall be ordinarily resident within the Colony, who shall not have attained the age of forty-one years before the commencement of this ordinance, to attend before the Tribunal" &c., The ATTORNEY GENERAL, however, in his statement of the "Objects and Reasons" of the Bill mentions that while the Bill applies to "all male British subjects" within the ages specified, "it is at present intended to enrol only persons who are of pure European descent and who are fit for general military service." A Tribunal of not less than seven members is to be set up to inquire whether such British subjects as come within the foregoing clause should be enrolled in the force or should be exempt from such enrolment. Larger powers of exemption are necessarily granted than exist at home. An eligible man may be exempted on the ground (*a*) that "it is expedient in Imperial interests, or in the essential interests of the Colony," that he should, instead of being enrolled in the force, be engaged in other work in which he is habitually engaged, or in work in which he is with the approval of the Tribunal prepared to engage; (*b*) on the ground that serious hardship would ensue if he were enrolled in the force, owing to his exceptional financial or business obligations or domestic position." But any exemption on ground (*b*) is not to be longer than three months. There is nothing in the Bill which definitely relates to the problem of the married men who may be conscripted under this ordinance and who are unable to see how their wives and families can be adequately supported, though the powers of the tribunal appear comprehensive enough to ensure that every case of the kind will be duly considered. The chief point on which the Bill can at present be criticised seems to us to be that by creating a new force to be called the General Military Service Force of Hongkong, it practically brands as conscripts all who are enrolled. It is well known that it is not from want of will that many married men have refrained from volunteering for active service, and if the Government could have assured for the wives and children of married men eligible for service something like the same consideration that married men in the Civil Service of the Colony have been given, there can be no question that many who will now be affected by the new ordinance would have gone to the Front long ago. It is not usual for speeches to be made in Council on the introduction of a Bill, but in view of the exceptional importance of this measure it is hoped by many whom the Bill will affect that the Government will make a statement to-morrow on the point to which we have specially drawn attention, viz: What is to become of the wives and children of men who may be conscripted? There is no need to emphasise that the problem here is not quite the same as at home. Assuming that such arrangements can be made as will relieve the parties concerned of anxiety on that score, a further objection we understand is taken to the decision to send the conscripted men to India, instead of to a more bracing climate, to undergo training. If circumstances had given them a choice in the matter, it may confidently be said that practically every man of them would have wished to train in Europe, as other men who have gone from Hongkong have done, and be assimilated there in the units they would wish to join. We do not know how many men it is hoped to enrol under the new ordinance, but in view of the large numbers who have gone from the Colony—close upon, if not over, 500—it seems rather grotesque that Hongkong should be represented in the military annals of the Empire by a "General Military Service Force of Hongkong" which, at the outside, we imagine, will not be over 100.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Exchange was up an eighth to-day. The opening rate on demand was 3s. 2¼d.

Last week the first Americans at Shanghai received calls to report for physical examination under the regulations of the draft law.

A telegram has been received announcing the engagement of Commander Arthur Gresson, R.N. to Miss Jackson, Valparaiso, and that the wedding will take place on the 15th June.

A Chinese was sent to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday, suffering from a stab wound alleged to have been inflicted by ten men at West Point. The wound is not considered serious.

The following Rubber dividends are announced from London:—Finals: Anglo-Malay 35; Edinburgh 37½; Klang and Klanang 30; Kepong 15; Cromlix 7; Bukit Panjong 5; Telok Piah 6½; Langen 5. Interims: Lumut 5; Sungkai Chumor 10.

During the 24 hours ending the 28th instant there were reported in the Colony one case of bubonic plague and one case of enteric fever which proved fatal. There were five cases of cerebro-spinal fever and five deaths from it. All the victims were Chinese.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Banks' Guild	$125.00
Brass & Iron Workers' Guild	60.00
Tai Shing Paper Manufacturing Company	25.00

We learn that several people in Hongkong are able to recognise the mysterious sickness which is reported in the cables to-day as being very prevalent in Spain. We are told that there are cases of sickness now in the Colony in which the symptoms are identical with those described in the cable.

A cable message to the *Straits Times* announces that Lieutenant Brady Nicholson, R.N., aged 21, eldest son of Mr. J. C. Nicholson, manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Batavia (formerly manager in Penang and Singapore) and Mrs. Nicholson, of St. Albans, Herts, and grand-nephew of Mrs. G. P. Owen, was killed by an explosion on May 6th.

An official notification appeared in last night's *China Mail* that from to-day the water supply in the rider main districts would be curtailed, a supply being given by public fountains only. This is owing to "the continued absence of rain in sufficient quantity to replenish the gravitation reservoirs, and one of the new pumping engines at Taitam Tuk being unavailable for service". The rain which has fallen to-day has not been sufficient to materially affect the situation. We have had an exceptionally dry spring this year. Down to 10 a.m. yesterday the rainfall since January 1st had amounted to not more than 9·54 inches, against an average of 21·86 inches.

THE CONSCRIPTION BILL.

TO BE INTRODUCED TO-MORROW.

The Agenda of-morrow's meeting of the Legislative Council includes among the "Orders of the Day," the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the raising of a force the members of which shall be liable to service with His Majesty's Forces outside the Colony during the present war."

The following is the text of the Bill:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the General Military Service Ordinance, 1918.

2. In this Ordinance:—

"Civil Servant" means a person who is in the employment of the Government of the Colony and whose whole time is at the disposal of the Government:

"Enrolment Lists" mean the lists referred to in section 9 of this Ordinance:

"Force" means the force referred to in section 10 of this Ordinance:

"Proper Authority" means the person appointed by the Governor for the purposes of sections 5 and 11 of this Ordinance:

"Proper Military Authority" means the person appointed, for the purposes of section 7 of this Ordinance, by the Senior Military Officer for the time being in command of His Majesty's regular troops within the Colony:

"Tribunal" means the tribunal referred to in section 4 of this Ordinance.

3.—(1). This Ordinance shall not apply to any of the following persons:—

(*a*) Members of His Majesty's Regular or Military Forces:

(*b*) Civilians in the employment of the Naval or Military Authorities:

(*c*) Men in holy orders and such regular ministers of recognised religious denominations as the Governor in Council may exempt:

(*d*) Men who have left or been discharged from the naval or military service of the Crown in consequence of disablement or ill-health, and men who have been discharged from naval or military service of the Crown on the termination of their period of service.

(2.) In the application of the Ordinance to civil servants, the following modifications shall have effect, namely, that the enquiry shall be held by the Governor and not by the Tribunal, and that it shall be lawful for the Governor, upon such enquiry as he shall think fit, to include any civil servant in an Enrolment List.

4.—(1.) It shall be lawful for the Governor to appoint such and so many persons as he may think fit, not being less in number than seven, to form a tribunal to be called the General Military Service Tribunal. The said tribunal is hereinafter referred to as the Tribunal.

(2.) In the event of the death, resignation, absence from the Colony, or inability to act, of any member of the Tribunal, it shall be lawful for the Governor to appoint any person whom he may think fit to fill the place of such member, either temporarily or permanently.

(3.) It shall be lawful for the Governor to appoint a Chairman of the Tribunal. The Chairman shall preside at all sittings of the Tribunal at which he is present, and in his absence the members of the Tribunal present shall choose one of their number to preside at the sitting in question.

(4.) Five members of the Tribunal shall constitute a quorum.

(5.) It shall also be lawful for the Governor to appoint a clerk to the Tribunal. Any order, summons, subpœna, notice, notification, or other document issued or published by the Tribunal may be issued and published in the name of the said clerk.

5.—(1.) It shall be lawful for the Proper Authority to order any male British subject of or over the age of eighteen years, who for the time being shall be ordinarily resident within the Colony and who shall not have attained the age of forty-one years before the commencement of this Ordinance, to attend before the Tribunal, at such time and place as may be prescribed in the said order.

(2.) The Tribunal shall thereupon, either at the time and place prescribed in the said order or at such time and place as the Tribunal may direct, proceed to enquire whether such British subject should be enrolled in the force or should be exempt from such enrolment.

(3.) If any such British subject fails to attend at the time and place prescribed in any such order or fails to attend at any time and place as directed by the Tribunal, he shall, upon summary conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars and to imprisonment for any period not exceeding six months.

(4.) It shall be lawful for the Tribunal to grant to any such British subject so ordered to attend exemption from such enrolment on any of the following grounds:—

(*a*) on the ground that it is expedient in Imperial interests, or in the essential interests of the Colony, that he should, instead of being enrolled in the force, be engaged in other work in which he is habitually engaged or in which he is with the approval of the Tribunal prepared to engage; or

(*b*) on the ground that serious hardship would ensue, if he were enrolled in the force, owing to his exceptional financial or business obligations or domestic position.

(5.) Any such exemption may be absolute, conditional, or temporary, as the Tribunal may think best suited to the case, or may be conditional upon such British subject being engaged in some work which in the opinion of the Tribunal is of Imperial importance: Provided that any exemption granted on the ground of exceptional financial or business obligations or domestic position shall not be for a longer period than three months.

(6.) Any such exemption, whether absolute or conditional or temporary, may be reconsidered and withdrawn or varied by the Tribunal at any time: Provided that no British subject shall be granted exemption on the ground of exceptional financial or business obligations or domestic position for a longer period than four months in all.

(7.) The Tribunal shall communicate to each British subject whose case has been enquired into the decision of the Tribunal with reference to such British subject.

(8.) If any question arise under this Ordinance as to whether any person is or was ordinarily resident within the Colony the decision of the Tribunal upon such question shall, subject to an appeal to the Governor in Council, be final for all purposes.

6. The Tribunal shall forthwith make a report to the Governor of the case in which exemption has been granted, stating in each such case the ground of exemption, and also a report of the cases in which the Tribunal has refused to grant exemption, stating in each such case the date on which such refusal was communicated to the British subject in question.

7. Within seven days after the communication to any such British subject of the decision of the Tribunal, or within such further time as may be allowed by the Governor in Council, it shall be lawful for such British subject, or for his employer if any, or for the Proper Military Authority, to appeal to the Governor in Council against the decision of the Tribunal, and upon such appeal it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to confirm or vary or reverse the decision of the Tribunal.

8.—(1.) Upon the expiration of any conditional or temporary exemption the person to whom such exemption applies shall, unless he has obtained a further exemption from the Tribunal, forthwith report himself at the office of the Deputy Assistant Adjutant and Quarter Master General.

(2.) If any person unlawfully fails so to report himself he shall be liable upon summary conviction to a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars and to imprisonment for any period not exceeding six months.

9.—(1.) The Governor shall cause to be published in the *Gazette* Enrolment Lists containing the names of the following persons:—

(*a*) Every person in whose case the Tribunal has refused to grant exemption and who has not successfully appealed against such decision:

(*b*) Every person who has reported himself at the office of the Deputy Assistant Adjutant and Quarter Master General under the provisions of section 8 of this Ordinance; and

(*c*) Every person who has been convicted of unlawfully failing so to report himself and who has not successfully appealed against such conviction.

(2.) Every person whose name appears in any such Enrolment List shall, as from the date of publication of such List be deemed to have been enrolled in, and to belong to, the force referred to in section 10 of this Ordinance.

10.—(1.) The said force shall be called the General Military Service Force of Hongkong.

(2.) Subject to the provisions of subsections (3) and (4) of this section, all the provisions of the Army Act shall apply to the General Military Service Force of Hongkong, and to all persons belonging to the force, whether within or without the limits of the Colony.

(3.) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Army Act, it shall be lawful for the competent military authority, with or without the consent of the person in question, at any time to appoint any person belonging to the force to any corps of His Majesty's Regular Forces.

(4.) For the purposes of the Army Act every person belonging to the force shall be deemed to have been enlisted for general service with the colours for the period of the war.

11.—(1.) It shall be lawful for the Proper Authority, at any time, to order any male British subject to attend at such time and place as may be specified in the said order and there to submit himself to be medically examined for the purposes of this Ordinance.

(2.) If any British subject without lawful excuse fails to comply with any such order as is referred to in this section he shall upon summary conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars and to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months.

12.—(1.) Any enquiry by the Tribunal under the provisions of this Ordinance shall be conducted in public unless on any occasion the majority of the members of the Tribunal present on such occasion are of opinion that the enquiry on that occasion should be conducted wholly or partly in private.

(2.) Any appeal to the Governor in Council under the provisions of this Ordinance shall be conducted in public unless on any occasion the Governor is of opinion that the appeal should be conducted wholly or partly in private.

(3.) In all other respects any enquiry or appeal under the provisions of this Ordinance may be conducted in such manner as the enquiring or appellate authority, as the case may be, shall see fit.

13.—The Tribunal shall, for the purpose of any enquiry which it is authorised under the provisions of this Ordinance to make, have all the powers of the Supreme Court in respect of the following matters:—

(*a*) enforcing the attendance of witnesses and examining them on oath or otherwise;

(*b*) compelling the production of documents; and

(*c*) punishing persons guilty of contempt.

14. Any order, summons, subpœna, notice, or other document, issued for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Ordinance, may be served either by being delivered personally to the person to whom such document is addressed, or by leaving it with some adult at such person's last known residence or place of business, or by sending it by registered post to such person at his last known residence or place of business.

"PEMMICAN" FOR THE U.S. ARMY

At the suggestion of Commander Peary, pemmican is to be added to the rations of the United States army, and one wonders why it has not been made use of by our own authorities. As prepared by the Indian, pemmican consists of lean meat dried in the sun or smoked then pounded or shredded and mixed with a paste of melted fat. The best makes contain the strength of about six pounds of meat in one, and will keep for an indefinite time.

WILL PETROGRAD FALL?

If Germany fulfils her intention and occupies Petrograd, it will be the first time the city has been entered, or even attacked, by enemy forces. This distinction—almost unique among European capitals—is due partly, of course, to modernity of the city, for it was not until May, 1703, that he first building was erected on the site.

THE MAGISTRACY.

ALLEGED UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Eight Chinese were charged before Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe this morning, with being in unlawful possession of 19 tons of coal, valued at $500.

Mr. F. X. d'Almada appeared for the defendants.

Mr. R. F. Mattingly appeared to watch the case on behalf of the defendants' employers, the Hongkong Canton and West River Tug and Lighter Co.

Inspector Gordon said that in consequence of certain facts brought to light this morning, he wished, with His Worship's permission, to amend the charge to one of larceny.

Mr. Wolfe remanded the case until next week.

ASSAULTING A LUKONG.

A Chinese was charged, on remand, before Mr. Wolfe this morning, with assaulting a lukong whilst in the execution of his duty in Des Voeux Road West, yesterday morning.

When the case was before the Magistrate yesterday, His Worship refused to allow bail as the Police opposed it. The victim of the assault had been been sent to Hospital and his condition was then regarded as serious.

This morning Mr. P. W. Goldring, solicitor for the defendant, renewed his application for bail.

Inspector Macdonald said the complainant's condition was not as serious as it was at first believed to be. He was only suffering from a scalp wound.

His Worship allowed the defendant bail on the sum of $3,000.

AN OBSTRUCTION CASE.

Mr. Fung Ping Shan, a well-known Chinese, was summoned before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, with causing obstruction in Bonham Strand.

The summons was to be heard yesterday, but as the defendant did not appear the Magistrate remanded the case until this morning.

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, appearing on behalf of the defendant, said that Mr. Fung Ping Shan, who was a prominent business man, had a number of godowns and if he had to appear every time any of his employees were summoned, it would be very hard on him.

His Worship agreed and imposed a nominal fine of $5.

A QUESTION OF RIGHT.

A Chinese was brought before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, on remand, with being in unlawful possession of a pearl brooch which was alleged to have been picked up at the Race Course at the place where the great tragedy occurred.

Sergt. Ingham said the defendant had no right to the brooch simply because he picked it up.

Mr. Wood remarked that as the defendant himself picked up the brooch and no owner, claimed the property, surely he had more right to it than anybody else.

Sergt. Ingham applied for a remand to consider his position.

THEFT OF A GOLD WATCH.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, with the theft of a gold watch and chain valued at $72.92, the property of another Chinese.

It was stated that both the complainant and the defendant lived in the same house at 126, Kaham Street. The complainant left his jacket containing the watch and chain hanging on a peg and during his absence, the defendant removed the articles from his pocket. The watch was then passed over to a friend but it was afterwards recovered.

After the evidence was heard, Mr. J. R. Wood sentenced the defendant to three months' hard labour.

A JEW WHO WON THE V.C.

We do not know where the story comes from or whether it has been printed, but anyway, it is all over London.

A Jew won the Victoria Cross and took it home proudly to his father. "Look what the King gave me, father," he said. But the old man was strictly orthodox. "I will not have a cross in my house," he said. "You must take it back."

So the Jew went back to the King, who received him kindly and, hearing the lad's story, congratulated him upon his dutifulness. "What would you like instead of the Victoria Cross?" said his Majesty. The Jew thought for a minute, and then he said, "Can I have Victoria Station?"

FOR A LAME BACK.

WHEN you have pains or lameness in the back bathe the part with Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice a day, massaging with the palm of the hand for five minutes at each application. Then dampen a piece of flannel slightly with this liniment and bind it on over the seat of pain. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

A NEW STRAITS SETTLEMENTS LOAN.

TO BE ISSUED IN JULY.

We are informed by the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation that they have received a telegram from their Singapore Branch to the effect that the Straits Settlements Government announce that a new loan will be issued on 21st July, interest at 5½ per cent. per annum, tax free, and repayable at par on 20th July, 1928.

CIGARETTE AND TOBACCO FUND.

The following is the subscription list to date:—

Acknowledged to 8th April, 1918	$26,010.17
Since received:—	
Kowloon Customs Staff, per Mr. H. Markham, Jan., Feb., March and April	52.00
Mr. C. Harman	20.00
Percentage of sweep on rifle match at King's Park	5.00
M.S.S., sub. May	5.00
Mr. F. G. Becke, Whampoa, sub. April	20.00
Anonymous, per "S.C. Morning Post"	1.00
Mr. A. B. Easton, per Royal Hongkong Golf Club	4.20
Mr. Frank C. Todd	5.00
"Lucky Numbers" (from Messrs. Kuhn & Komor)	15.40
Collected by Mrs. T. Arthur, List No. 10:—	
E. Shellim	50.00
The Oil Kings	20.00
Anonymous	25.00
J.A.	12.00
C.C., G.A.P., P.P., F.C.J., F.G., W.L.P., at $10	60.00
A.W.L.R., G.E.S., F.A.W., S.W., J.McH., B.S.N., H.C.S., N.S.M., J.v.R., C.B.R., H.H., S.G.N., G.P.L., A.S., E.M.E., G.S.A., E.H.T., S.H.D., R.S., A.G.G., A.E.G., T.A., at $5	110.00
J.H.R., R.K., J.B., H.H., P.H.H., W.S., Wallaby H. J.B., G.M.S., F.S.T., A.O.L., at $3	33.00
W.B., F.W.J., R.W.M., W.N., E.M.F., A.D.G., C.H.D., R.G.H., H.J.N., C.H.B., R.J.R., R.A.W., R.P.T., J.A.R., H.E.M., R.T.B., A.S.L., T.C.D., J.M., C.F.M., J.G., L.H.L., W.J.M., N.J.A., H.M., J.R.J., T.P.C., W.G., F.F.O., I.O.W., D.R., K.B.R., M.S., H.W.D., W.R.M., C.B.B., P.M.H., J.H.B., O.B., J.H.G.G., T.C.N., E.G.S., F.S., at $2	86.00
E.B., E.L.S., H.F.C., G. & N.L. at $1	4.00
	$27,841.56
Expended to 8th April, 1918	$26,627.09
Since expended:—	
350,000 cigarettes sent to the troops at the Front and 9,000 cigarettes and 600 cigars for local troops	1,169.99
	$27,797.08
Balance in hand	$ 44.48

W. A. DOWLEY,
Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1918.

For the third time in as many meetings, says a Shanghai contemporary, Mr. John Peel's Black Diamond won the Grand National Steeplechase on the 18th inst., tearing under the wire a neck ahead of Bornite after one of the greatest steeplechase races ever seen on the local course. Rosewood, with Mr. O. R. Burkill up, had a lead of five lengths when it refused to take the Monument wall during the first lap and dropped out of the running. There were but five starters, but with the elimination of Rosewood, a pretty race was staged between Black Diamond, Bornite and Nomadic, with Panama the fourth pony to finish. Black Diamond won in a driving finish. Bornite and the winner took the last jump simultaneously and tore for the wire neck and neck. Mrs. John Kinnaird, riding Black Diamond, brought his pony home to a deadly win over Bornite, Mr. Rowe up.

TELEGRAMS.

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THE GREAT BATTLE.

SITUATION WELL IN HAND.

WILL IT DEVELOP INTO A GENERAL BATTLE?

THE ENEMY'S EXCELLENT ADVANTAGE.

LONDON, May 28.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarter, telegraphing at noon on the 27th, describing the German renewal of operations, says the Crown Prince's forces, probably commanded by Generals Franz von Below and von Boehm, started them at dawn and launched an attack after a liberal bombardment throughout the first part of the night.

The Allied Commanders have the situation well in hand and are waiting to see whether the attack is purely a demonstration in force or whether it will develop into a general battle. Possibly the enemy is merely endeavouring to attract the Allied reserves while concentrating his forces for a main attack elsewhere. The ground on the greater part of the line of attack includes Chemin-des-Dames, where the Germans were thrown back last year. The British and French are fighting in a most harmonious comradeship. The enemy have the advantage behind their lines of an excellent system of railways by which they are enabled to bring up troops from the far rear. It is hardly probable that they intend to make this movement into a principal attack unless they are very successful in pushing forward and capturing territory in the first rush. Whatever progress they are able to register cannot be of great military importance.

GERMAN DIVISIONS REFUSE TO GO TO THE FRONT.

MANY HANGED.

MOSCOW, May 28.

Two German Divisions at Dvinsk have refused to leave for the French Front. Several soldiers have been hanged, and dozens condemned to penal servitude for life.

LONG-RANGE BOMBARDMENT OF PARIS.

CITIZENS NOT PERTURBED BY RESUMPTION.

PARIS, May 28.

The Parisians are not alarmed at the resumption of the long-range bombardment, which so far has effected very slight damage.

THE GERMAN BULLY.

DUTCH SHIPS SEIZED.

NO SAFE-CONDUCTS GRANTED.

AMSTERDAM, May 28.

In pursuance of the policy of not permitting Dutch ships to sail, even to a neutral destination without safe-conducts, which Germany is refusing to issue until Holland comes to terms, Germany has seized and taken to Swinemunde three vessels bound from Rotterdam to Stockholm.

THE DUTCH ELECTIONS.

TWENTY-TWO WOMEN SEEK SEATS.

AMSTERDAM, May 28.

Twenty-two women, representing nine different parties, are candidates for the Dutch Parliamentary elections fixed for July 3rd.

COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT IN SIBERIA.

COSSACKS AND BOLSHEVISTS AT GRIPS.

COPENHAGEN, May 28.

According to the Swedish newspaper, *Soliard Jokratten*, a strong counter-Revolutionary movement exists in the Ural Mountains, Siberia.

The Cossack Hender, Dutoff, has gathered a great Army and is now fighting the Bolshevists at Saratow.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

STRONG ENEMY ATTACKS DEVELOPING.

LONDON, May 27.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

Strong hostile attacks preceded by a bombardment of great intensity, developed this morning on wide fronts against the British and French between Rheims and Soissons and against the French between L'Ocre and Voormezeele.

There was considerable hostile artillery activity on Sunday and at night, on the British Front.

BIG ATTACK ON FRENCH FRONT.

LONDON, May 27.

A French communique says:—

During the latter half of the night the Germans very violently bombarded the entire region between Forest Pinon and Rheims.

The enemy, this morning, attacked on a very wide front between these two points. The French and British troops are resisting the German drive with their customary gallantry. The battle is progressing.

THE AMERICANS' IMPRESSION OF THE BOSCHE.

LONDON, May 27.

Reuter's Correspondent at American Headquarters shows that the Germans bank on attacking fairly heavily at certain points of the American sector.

In one of these fights the Americans suffered considerable losses. The action was, of course, fought under conditions imposed by the enemy and on ground which the Americans considered tactically unsound. The Germans sent over a heavy barrage and enfiladed the Americans on either flanks. The latter fought like fiends not yielding an inch of ground, and inflicted very severe losses. The American impression of the Bosche is "He is yellow when cornered," but they don't underrate his gas.

The Americans had their first experience of mustard shells but, disarming as these were, the prime poison gas, phosgene, outdid their imagination of murderous devilry. Invisible gas being used, the explosion of gas-shells is unnoticed amid the surrounding din.

FIERCE FIGHTING.

LONDON, May 27.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to day, states:—

Early this morning the enemy heavily bombarded great depths of the line from south of Ypres Canal to Ouderdom and Westoutre and their infantry attacked at half-past four.

The Germans are apparently attempting to recover the ground which the French took on the 20th around L'Ocre and La Clytte. It is reported they have made slight progress at places.

Fierce fighting is progressing but there is no reason to assume that the present operation is more than a local one designed to restore or improve the enemy's positions at Scherpenberg and Mont Rouge.

The Belgians have defeated all the German attempts to push back their defences between Ypres and Holthurst Forest.

The weather is fairly fine and clear in Flanders.

NAVAL AIRMEN'S EXPLOITS.

AUSTRIAN BASE OF CATTARO BOMBED.

LONDON, May 27.

The Admiralty reports:—

Between May 23 and 26 our naval airmen's operations were hindered by the weather. Nevertheless, we bombed Mariakerks and Zeebrugge, where bombs were observed to fall near the lock-gates and the Canal derivation. We dropped nearly three tons of bombs on Bruges docks on the night of the 22nd-23rd and all our machines returned. In home waters there have been numerous flights in escort, and patrol and other anti-submarine duties were carried out. Submarines were sighted and attacked and enemy mines located.

Allied aircraft successfully bombed the Austrian base of Cattaro, obtaining a direct hit on the barracks occupied by submarine crews, where a fire broke out.

AN ITALIAN VICTORY.

LONDON, May 27.

An Italian official message says:

We have consecrated the dawn of our fourth year of war with a victory in an operation which continued uninterruptedly on Saturday and Sunday. We stormed Zigolon Mount, the present lake basin, and Monticello Pass and inflicted severe losses. The prisoners, so far, number 870 and the booty includes twelve guns and a great quantity of all kinds of material.

The enemy twice strongly attacked our position at Monte Corno, but our counter-attack drove him back.

We brought down eight aeroplanes.

AERIAL REPRISALS.

GERMAN PRESS CONCERNED.

AMSTERDAM, May 27.

The *Frankfurter Zeitung* is greatly concerned over the prospect of severe Allied aerial reprisals. The paper asks whether Count Hertling would consider it a sign of weakness to suggest to the enemy an understanding in this connection. It says it has always been its conviction that the military advantages of these raids on the peaceful homeland were insignificant compared to their frightfulness.

GREAT BRITAIN'S SUBMARINE CRUISERS.

LONDON, May 27.

The sinking of a German submarine cruiser in the Atlantic is receiving great attention as it is the first published evidence that Great Britain also possesses submarines capable of cruising far afield.

Mr. Archibald Hurd writes: It is no secret to the Germans that soon after the outbreak of war numerous large submarines were laid down in Great Britain and many have been hunting pirates for months past. They have not merely been most successful in fighting the U-boats, but they have proved most useful in convoy work and have greatly contributed in unnerving the German crews who are now finding that the cruiser submarines, which are Germany's last hope, bring increased danger to them personally owing to their unwieldiness and slower submersion.

LONG RANGE BOMBARDMENT OF PARIS RESUMED.

PARIS, May 27.

After an interval of several weeks the long-range bombardment of Paris was recommenced to-day.

DISCHARGED SOLDIERS.

SIXTY PER CENT. RETURN TO OLD PROFESSIONS.

LONDON, May 27.

Mr. G. H. Roberts, the Labour Minister, speaking at Smethwick and referring to demobilisation, said that 400,000 discharged soldiers had already been dealt with, of whom sixty per cent. had returned to their old employers.

EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS.

THE FRANCO-GERMAN AGREEMENT.

LONDON, May 27.

The Geneva International Red Cross publishes details of the Franco-German agreement for the exchange of prisoners and appeals to the remaining belligerents to conclude similar agreements including the following rules:—All military prisoners shall be exchangeable after eighteen months, and no civilians shall be made prisoners and deportations shall be abolished.

NAVY AND MERCHANT SERVICE.

ADMIRAL WEMYSS ON THEIR CLOSE RELATIONSHIP.

LONDON, May 27.

The First Sea Lord of the Admiralty, Admiral Wemyss, speaking at the Mansion House at the Centenary gathering of the British and Foreign Sailors' Society, referred to the close relationship which the present war had restored between the men of the Merchant Service and the Navy. He said that 200,000 merchant sailors and 80,000 fishermen were at present serving under the White Ensign, who had been assimilated into the fighting Fleet and, notwithstanding the depletions and the tremendous difficulties which the Mercantile Marine had suffered, it had continued business as undauntedly as the Naval men whose *morale* was better than ever, despite submarine warfare.

AUSTRALIAN AFFAIRS.

BUTTER SURPLUS.

MELBOURNE, May 27.

In the House of Representatives it was announced that the sale of next year's exportable surplus of butter to the Imperial Government is being negotiated.

THE DEBT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Mr. Watt, the Federal Treasurer, stated that the total debt of the Commonwealth was £609,000,000, including £148,000,000 of Commonwealth War Loans, and £19,000,000 of War Loans from the Imperial Government. This represented an annual interest of £25,000,000.

SCOTLAND'S DETERMINATION.

HER MESSAGE TO THE PREMIER.

LONDON, May 27.

Before returning to London from Scotland, the Premier, interviewed by the *Glasgow Herald*, said he was very much impressed by the determination of the Scottish people to see the war through. The message Scotland had given him was to "stand fast."

Continuing, the Premier said Scotland is as firm as her mountains. If there is any change between last year and this year it is an even deeper note of resolve, of absolute unity, quiet determination and subordination of everything to the prosecution of the war. The people of Scotland had got their minds fixed upon defeating the terrible menace threatening the world. They would decline to consider anything else until this is done and they are absolutely right.

STRANGE EPIDEMIC IN SPAIN.

MADRID, May 27.

King Alfonso, the Premier and other Ministers and 30 per cent. of the population of Spain are suffering from an unknown epidemic. The symptoms are high fever, pains in the chest and diarrhœa. The disease is of a mild nature.

The new disease has not yet resulted in serious consequences. A recommended preventive precaution is open-air life as far as possible. Several theatres have been closed owing to the illness of the staffs. The tram service is similarly handicapped.

THE SLAV MOVEMENT IN AUSTRIA.

DEPUTATION TO EMPEROR KARL.

AMSTERDAM, May 27.

The importance of the South Slav movement in Austria is evidenced by a Vienna telegram reporting that Emperor Karl and Premier Seidler have received deputations, one of the Slovene-Stauer party which advocates the maintenance of the Austrian Imperial System and the other of the Styria, Carniola and Trieste Germans. Both emphasised the danger of the South Slav propaganda and the necessity of encouraging the German element. The Emperor, replying, said the grounds of racial friction must be removed but whatever change occurred in State institutions, the firm framework of the State must not be loosened, the sacred inheritance of a glorious past must be preserved. The Government would, therefore, combat to its utmost agitations menacing the strength and unity of the State.

His Majesty admitted that much in the conditions and national cultural development of the individual races and the monarchy needed improvement, but a solution was only possible within Austrian limits. There must not be the slightest prejudice as to the historic peculiarities of different States, the firmness of their union or the unity and strength of the monarchy. He exhorted the deputations not to be anxious lest agitation against the maintenance of these principles should spread unhindered.

The Emperor, addressing a deputation of the German Women's League of Styria, said a great and important share was destined for the German people in Austria worthy of its great achievements in the war for the rights of the German people and the conditions requisite for the preservation and development of their nationality in Austria would never be prejudiced.

AFFAIRS IN RUSSIA.

EXCITING THE POOR AGAINST THE RICH.

MOSCOW, May 21.

The refusal of the peasants to provide foodstuffs and the constant increase of the anti-Government bourgeois elements in the villages were discussed at a meeting of the Executive of the Soviets.

President Sverdloff said that if the Bolshevik authorities did not wish to be surprised they must combat the dangerous coalition of the peasants and bourgeoisie by exciting the poor against the rich thus provoking a civil war as they did in the towns.

The Executive adopted a resolution proposed by M. Sverdloff that it was urgent to arm the poor peasants to fight the rural bourgeoisie.

A BOLSHEVIK WARNING.

MOSCOW, May 27.

The *Pravda*, the Bolshevik organ, says: "Germany's violation of the Brestlitovsk Peace will inevitably face the Government with the necessity of taking advantage of the military aid of one Imperialist group against the other."

UKRANIAN MINISTER ABSCONDS.

AMSTERDAM, May 27.

M. Kovaloski, the Minister of Agriculture of the late Ukranian Government, has absconded with five million roubles.

THE SAND AND GRAVEL QUESTION.

AMSTERDAM, May 27.

The *Telegraaf* states that the transit of sand and gravel from Germany to Belgium has been resumed. The first ship has passed Lobith *en route* to Ghent.

IMPORTANT AFRICAN RAILWAY COMPLETED.

LONDON, May 27.

The Katanga Railway in the Belgian Congo was completed on 22nd May giving through communication by railway from Capetown to Bukama on the Upper Congo.

NATIONALIST CONFERENCE IN IRELAND.

MR. DILLON DENOUNCES SINN FEINERS.

LONDON, May 27.

Mr. John Dillon presided at a Nationalist Conference at Ballieboro, at which it was decided to oppose Sinn Fein candidates. Mr. Dillon said that though he did not approve of the arrest of Griffith, who was the Sinn Fein candidate for East Cavan, he believed the Government had thereby helped Sinn Fein. It would be regarded as a sign of weakness if the Nationalist candidate were withdrawn. Mr. Dillon added that Mr. Lloyd George was much mistaken if he thought the statement about the Sinn Fein conspiracy published on Saturday would be accepted as evidence by fair-minded people anywhere in the world.

Mr. Dillon added: It is absurd to say that I have broken my alliance with Sinn Fein, because an alliance never existed. Thank God, I am not a Sinn Feiner and never mean to be one. Sinn Fein plays into the hands of the Government. Its sinister passion is hatred of the Irish Party. Many Sinn Feiners are more anxious to destroy the Irish Party than to free Ireland. To do this Sinn Fein is prepared to accept help from any quarter.

THE FRAWLEY COMPANY IN "THE GREAT DIVIDE."

In some ways the piece presented by the Frawley Co. last evening was their best. It was an old story, one of man and woman, of passion and of hatred, but at the same time the story of the triumph of love. Most of the work of the evening fell on Miss K. Browne-Decker as "Ruth Jordan" and on Mr. S. A. Forbes as "Stephen Ghent," and these two, by the cleverness of their acting, were the making of the story. In Miss Decker's acting in the first act, one saw first of all the light-hearted, home-loving girl in a Southern Arizonan home. Probably one of the most touching incidents of the whole story was when "Ruth" was at the hands of drunken men and especially when by one she was taken away. This was a difficult piece of acting, but the picture of a woman suffering for the preservation of her honour and yet willing to carry out her promise even at the sacrifice of this, was most cleverly drawn by Miss Decker. Throughout the whole piece she stands out as a woman struggling against fearful odds to remain true to herself and her obligations. It is, of course, a matter of opinion, but she is considered to have achieved last night her greatest success in the Colony, even greater than the other evening in "Tiger Rose."

To Mr. Forbes as her husband great praise is also due. As an actor we like him; he obtained a place in our estimation when he made us roar with laughter in "It pays to Advertise," and each evening he has confirmed the first impressions. But last night he was at his best. As a man gambling for a woman for whom he had no love, and later as a man struggling for the love of the same woman who had no love for him, he gave to us one of the finest pieces of acting ever seen in this Colony. The other members of the cast were but few in number and had but little to do, but it is only their due to say that the little they did was well done. The first two scenes—log cabins in Southern Arizona—were very prettily staged. In all ways last night's production was a success—it is a pity that the house was not full.

MR. ROBERTS ON WORK AFTER THE WAR.

"DECENT EXISTENCE" FOR ALL WILLING WORKERS.

If industrial strife were to succeed after the war the recovery of the country would not only be retarded but the fall of the British Empire would follow, said Mr. G. H. Roberts, Minister of Labour, at Exeter.

Speaking of demobilisation, Mr. Roberts said he hoped to find work for every demobilised man within four weeks of his discharge. Rather than a man should be unemployed he would keep him longer in the Army. Eminent economists had been considering the problem at the request of the Government, and it was known there would be tremendous scope for employment after the war, and the Ministry was doing its best to see that the country had all available supplies. Some people thought we should share our materials with Germany after the war, but he did not subscribe to that doctrine.

There could be no going back on the past, we had to make substantial advance and we were going to retain what we had got.

During the coming months he was going to ask Parliament for larger powers in the way of extension of the Trade Board system. The Government meant to see that after the war many conditions which existed before the war were abolished for all time, and that every honest, willing worker could gain a decent and tolerable existence. He was hopeful that the Ministry of Labour would have powers whereby they could bring under the Trade Board system any trade in the country in which a living wage was not guaranteed.

Then it was proposed to establish Industrial Councils for every trade in the country. These Councils would be composed of both employers and employed, and he hoped that by their means consideration of trade affairs would be for ever removed out of the cockpit of party politics.

The country would be severely tested during the next few months, and food especially would be scarce.

AMUSEMENT OF AMERICAN SOLDIERS.

Fifteen more Liberty Theatres have been ordered by the War Department to be constructed at various National Guard camps, principally in the South. These theatres, when completed, will bring the number of theatres operated by the American Government for the amusement of soldiers up to thirty-one.

The new Liberty theatres are designed especially for theatrical performances. The stages will measure 40 by 32 feet and the buildings will be 126 by 60 feet. Stationary benches will be set up on the earth floors. Large doors in each side of the buildings will open upward, giving more space for spectators' seats on the sides and better ventilation. In cold weather each building will be heated by eight stoves.

HINDENBURG'S HOPES FOR IRELAND.

The *Kreuz Zeitung* says that Marshal Von Hindenburg, in reply to a message from the so-called German-Irish Society (of Berlin), said: "I hope the German victory will also benefit Ireland."

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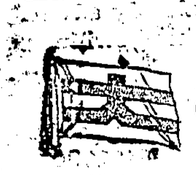
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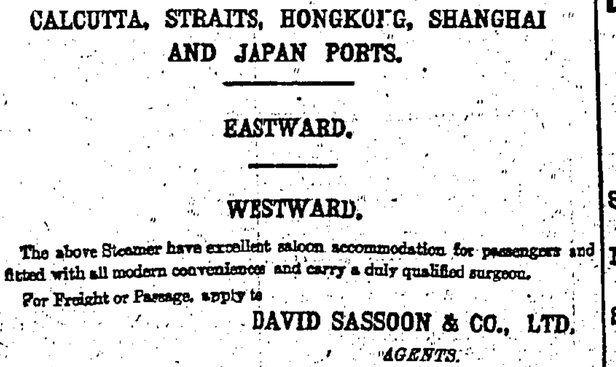
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The war has produced a phase of human experience which writers find hard to define. It is a personal phenomenon of which Europe necessarily knew nothing during her 40 years of peace. And so there are no accepted words and phrases wherewith to describe it, says Mr. Arthur E. Copping.

The thing was daily in evidence throughout my voyage on the wobbly little warship, just as it had been daily in evidence during an earlier trip on a mine-sweeper. But when first met with at sea it was already familiar knowledge. Three journeys along our Western front had revealed, against a khaki background, what now stood out conspicuous against the blue—the setting so different, the spirit the same. For I am referring to a subtle quality in the demeanour of those who, for the sake of their country and their kin, live in momentary danger of death and of all possible forms of physical pain and injury.

How to give you the flavour of that subtle quality? There has been a sustained chorus of testimony concerning the "Tipperary" bearing of our troops—concerning their cheerful philosophy—and every word of that testimony is true. But it is less than the truth. Many witnesses have had a deficiency about revealing the beautiful spirit of brotherhood, of selflessness, of a constant desire to serve the other chap, which is ever the predominant note in zones of danger.

LOOK-OUT FOR PERISCOPES.

Night and day, minute by minute, our look-outs scanned the waves for protruding periscopes and tell-tale surface indications. The skipper seemed ever on the bridge; certainly he never went below for sleep or meals. Through daylight and darkness and fog, we shepherded first an out-going, then an in-coming, fleet of merchantmen, ensuring by eternal vigilance that no vessel strayed into dangerous isolation. We had ever at full cock, so to speak, various instruments for ridding the seas of U-boats.

But in none of these circumstances was there anything surprising. For me after a while the most remarkable fact about the little warship was that she carried no canary, or other cage bird. The tweet-tweet and the pecking at sugar would have been exactly in tune with the humour of that ship's company.

We had on board two dissimilar pets of the same genus: one being a formidable-looking bulldog who would gnaw through the stoutest rope, if you gave him time; the other a frail pup with a sunny disposition. The men's love for both dogs verged on adoration.

Our crew numbered nearly 60 hands, and in the case of the family men I could almost tell you the names of all their children.

HEROES OF THE TORPEDO.

Never indeed—not even in France and Flanders—was I in the society of men more simple-hearted, happy and oblivious to self. A casual observer might well have supposed that for them the hazards of war were merely remote possibilities which their imagination failed to grasp. Yet it came to light that the majority of those wonderful fellows had been mined or torpedoed, or both.

Sandy of the stokehole held the record with five war immersions to his credit; and Sandy looked to be about the most cheerful member of the crew. He and some dozens of his mates could, by reciting full details of the perils they had survived, each supply thrilling material for a fair-sized volume; but usually their way of telling the story would not fill six lines.

Then there was the experience of our midshipman, who also had had to put up with a little more than he liked.

Something in his youthful aspect and subdued manner had given me the impression that this lad had not yet received his war baptism; but when I asked if he had been torpedoed he bashfully replied, "Yes—twice."

The first occasion, it seemed, was nothing at all. His ship was struck; he got in the water, and someone got him out again—that was the whole story. I believe he felt cold. I daresay he also got rather wet. But details were not forthcoming.

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Germany grips her shield and clutches her drawn sword, and seems only restrained by Russia from taking the leap. France, with corselet of steel, but in a skirt so dowdy as to constitute a casus belli against the artist, scans the horizon warily; Austria hugs at the arm of Britannia, who appears to see no cause of quarrel. Nor do any of the nations, save Germany. So on the margin of the picture the Kaiser has written, "Nations of Europe, defend your holiest possessions." Which is truly Pecksniffian, for at the time the only trouble was that Germany had seized a slice of the holiest possessions of China!

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Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

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Sunday, 9th June:—

Inter-gun competition for Gascoigne Shield. Time and place will be notified later.

MOUNTED SECTION.

Thursday, 30th May:—

5.30 p.m.—At Jockey Club Stables. Dress, drill order without rifles.

SIGNALLING SECTION.

Friday, 31st May:—

5.30 p.m.—Parade at Headquarters. Dress, clean fatigue.

Note.—Rifles (with bores free from oil) and sidearms are to be brought to the parade on 28th May.

RECRUITS.

Friday, May 31st:—

5.30 p.m.—All units except "D" Company on Murray Parade Ground, under Sergts. Oxberry, Edmonds (Monday), and Meade (Friday). Dress, drill order.

Orders for Cadet Company by 2nd Lieut. J. E. W. Beard.

OPENING OF SAI-WAN CAMP.

Saturday, 1st June:—

Fall in at Headquarters at 1.30 p.m. The Company will then proceed to Sai-Wan by car. No. 1 Section to stay the week-end.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, D.S.P. (R.).

COMBINED PARADE.

All ranks will attend at Headquarters Office at 5.15 p.m. on Friday, May 31st. Uniform optional.

MOUNTED POLICE.

Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Companies (except those on duty) will parade at Central Station at 5.45 p.m. on Wednesday, June 5th. Uniform, caps and covers. The Sergeant-Major will attend.

By Order,

T. F. HOUGH,
A.S.P. (R.) and Adjutant.

OFFICIAL NIGHT IN MAY.

The following table shows the Standard Time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of May, 1918:—

Date.	Ends.	Begins.
May 29th,	5.28 a.m.	7.12 p.m.
30th.	5.27 ,,	7.13 ,,
31st,	5.27 ,,	7.13 ,,

Temperature.

Hongkong, May 29th 1918.

Barometer—9 A.M.	29.70
Do. 1 P.M.	29.66
Do. 4 P.M.	29.64
Thermometer 9 A.M.	82
Do. 1 P.M.	81
Do. 4 P.M.	82
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M.	79
Do. (Wet bulb) 1 P.M.	79
Do. (Wet bulb) 4 P.M.	78
Do. Maximum	82
Do. Minimum (over night)	79

To-day's Advertisements

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), on

WEDNESDAY,

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP *KAYO MARU.*

FROM KOBE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the GODOWNS of the HONGKONG and KOWLOON WHARF and GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd June, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 5th June, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd June, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hongkong, May 29, 1918. 475

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship "TAMBA MARU," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO.'s Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before NOON, TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 5th June, 1918, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour on TUESDAY and FRIDAY. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

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Hongkong, May 29, 1918. 476

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,, Roast,—Shiu ,, 24
,, Breast,—Ngau Nam ... ,, 20
,, Soup,—Tong Yuk ... ,, 24
,, Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa ... ,, 24
,, Steak Sirloin,—Ngau Lau ,, 30
,, Sausages,—Ngau Cheung No. 1 ... ,, 26
Bullock's Brains,—Ngau No per set 10
,, Tongue, fresh,—Ngau Li each 50
,, Tongue, corned,—Ham Ngau Li each 60 cents.
,, Head,—Ngau Tau ... each 100
,, Heart,—Ngau Sam ... lb. 13
,, Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin ,, 20
,, Feet,—Ngau Keuk ... each 10
,, Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu ,, 10
,, Tail,—Ngau Mei ... ,, 20
,, Liver,—Ngau Kon ... lb. 13
,, Tripe (undressed), Ngau To lb. 6
Calves' Head and Feet,—Ngau-tsai-tau-keuk ... set $1.00
Mutton Chop,—Yeung Pei Kwat lb. 26
,, Leg,—Yeung Pei ... ,, 26
,, Shoulder,—Yeung Shau ,, 24
,, Saddle,—Yeung On Yuk ,, 16
Pig's Chitlings,—Chu Chong per set 25
,, Brains,—Chu No ... per set 22
,, Feet,—Chu Keuk ... lb. 15
,, Fry,—Chu Chap ... ,, 15
,, Head,—Chu Tau ... ,, 20
,, Heart,—Chu Sam ... each 10
,, Kidneys,—Chu Yiu ... each 10
,, Liver,—Chu Kon ... lb. 30
Pork Chop,—Chu Pai Kwat ... ,, 25
,, Leg,—Chu Pei ... ,, 28
,, Loin,—Chu Hau Tun ... ,, 28
,, Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau ... ,, 21
Sheep's Head and Feet,—Yeung Tau Keuk ... set 60
,, Heart,—Yeung Sam ... each 8
,, Kidneys,—Yeung Yiu each 12
,, Liver,—Yeung Kon ... lb. 26
Sucking Pigs, to order,—Chu Tsai ,, 25
Suet, Beef,—Shang Ngau Yau ... ,, 20
,, Mutton,—Shang Yeung You ,, 28
Veal,—Ngau Tsai Yuk ... ,, 20
,, Sausages,—Ngau Tsai Cheung No. 1 ... lb. 20
Lard,—Chu Yau ... lb. —

Fish.

Cts.

Barbel,—Ka Yu ... lb. 19
Bream,—Pin Yu ... ,, 20
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Hoi Sin Yu ,, 18
Carp,—Li Yu ... ,, 16
Catfish,—Chik Yu ... ,, 12
Codfish,—Mun Yu ... ,, 20
Crabs,—Hai ... ,, 23
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu ... ,, 16
Dab,—Sha Mang Yu ... ,, 23
Dace,—Wong Mei Lap ... ,, 10
Dog Fish,—Tit To Sha ... ,, 10
Eels, Conger,—Hoi Man ... ,, 16
,, Fresh water,—Tam Shui Yu ,, 20
,, Yellow,—Wong Sin ... ,, 26
Frogs,—Tin Kai ... ,, 32
Garoupa,—Shek Pan ... ,, 40
Gudgeon,—Pak Kap Yu ... ,, 18
Herrings,—Tso Pak ... ,, 22
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Kap ... ,, 18
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu ... ,, 22
Loach,—Wu Yu ... ,, 22
Lobsters,—Lung Ha ... ,, 32
Mackerel,—Chi Yu ... ,, 20
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu ... ,, 32
Mullet,—Tsai Yu ... ,, 18
Oysters,—Shang I ... ,, 16
Parrot Fish,—Kai Kung Yu ... ,, 14
Perch,—Tau Lo ... ,, 20
Pike,—Fa Pan Fong ... ,, 16
Plaice,—Pan Yu ... ,, 28
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Chong ... ,, 26
Pomfret, White,—Pak Chong ... ,, 36
Prawns,—Ming Ha ... ,, 36
Ray,—Pai Pa Sha ... ,, 10
Rock Fish,—Shek Kau Kung ... ,, 13
Roach,—Chun Yu ... ,, 22
Salmon,—Ma Yu ... ,, 38
Shark,—Sha Yu ... ,, 8
Skate,—Po Yu ... ,, 10
Shrimps,—Ha ... ,, 26
Snapper,—Lap Yu ... ,, 32
Soles,—Tat Sha Yu ... ,, 28
Tench,—Wan Yu ... ,, 22
Turbot,—Tso Hau Yu ... ,, 13
Turtles, small, fresh water,—Keuk Yu ,, 40

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Chicken,—Kai Tsai ... lb. 30
Capons, small,—Sin Kai ... ,, 28
Capons, Large,—Sin Kai ... ,, 28
Duck,—Ap ... ,, 22
Doves,—Pan Kau ... ,, —
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan (cooking) per doz. 18
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan (fresh) ... per doz. 25
Fowls, Canton,—Kai ... lb. 38
Fowls, Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai ,, 28
Geese,—Ngo ... ,, 24
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kap ... 30
,, Hoihow,—Hoi Hau Pak Kap each 23
Turkeys, Cock,—Fo Kai Kung lb. 60
Turkeys, Hen,—Fo Kai Na ... ,, 58
Snipe,—Sha Tsui ... each 29
Pheasant,—Shan Kai ... ,, —
Quail,—Om Chun ... ,, —
Partridges,—Che Ku ... ,, —

FRUITS

Cts.

Almonds,—Hang Yan ... lb. 35
Apples, (California),—Kam Shan Ping Ko ,, 24
Bananas, (bride's), Macao,—San Heung Chiu ,, 4
Carambola,—Yeung To ... ,, 12
Cocoanuts,—Ye Tse ... each 10
Lemons, China,—Ling Mung ... lb. 7
Lemons, America,—Kam Shan Ling Mung ... 8 each
Lichees, Dried, (small stone),—Lai Chi Kon lb. 25
Oranges, (Canton), (Sweet)—Shan-sheng Tim Chang ,, —
Oranges, (Canton), ... ,, —
Pears, (Canton), Cooking,—Sha Li ,, 13
Peanuts,—Fa Shang ... ,, 10
Persimmons, Large,—Hung Tse ,, 12
Plantain,—Tai Chiu ... ,, 03
Pumelo, Siam,—Tsim Lo Yau ... each 12
Walnuts,—Hop To ... lb. 14
Grapes,—Po Tai Tsz ... ,, 25

Vegetables, &c.

Cts.

Artichokes,—Ah Chi Cheuk ... each —
Beans, Sprout,—Nga Tsoi ... lb. 4
,, Long,—Tau Kok ... ,, 8
Beet Root,—Hung Tsoi Tau ... ,, 8
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa ... ,, —
Brinjals, Green,—Ching Yun Kwa ,, 6
,, Red,—Hung Ke ... ,, 5
Cabbage Chinese, (common),—Kai Tsoi ,, 8
,, Shanghai,—Ye Tsoi ... ,, 12
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kau Shun ,, —
Cauliflower (Large),—Ye Tsoi Fa each —
,, (Medium), ,, —
,, (Small), ,, —
Carrots,—Kam Shun ... lb. 6
Celery, Chinese,—Tong Kan Tsoi ,, 10
Chillies, Dried,—Kon Lat Chiu ,, 25
,, Red,—Hung Fa Chiu ... ,, 10
,, Green,—Ching Lat Chiu ,, 8
Curry Stuff, English,—Ka Li Chu Liu lb. 10
Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa ... each 2
Garlic,—Sun Tau ... lb. 8
Ginger, young,—Sun Tse Keung ,, 7
Ginger, old,—Lo Keung ... ,, 10
Horseradish, Shanghai,—Lik Kan ,, 45
Indian Corn,—Shuk Mai ... each 06
Lettuce,—Yeung Shang Tsoi ... each 1
Water Chestnuts,—Ma Tai ... lb. 6
,, Mandarin,—Kwai Lam Ma Tai ... ,, 10
Mushrooms, Fresh,—Shang Tso Ku lb.
Okroes ... lb. 10
Onions, Bombay,—Yeung Chung Tau lb. 8
Onions, Green,—Shang Chung lb. 4
Onions, Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi Chung Tau ,, 6
Parsley,—Kun Tsoi ... ,, 60
Potato, Sweet,—Fan Shu ... ,, 3
,, Japanese,—Yat Fun Shu Tsai lb. 3
,, American,—Fa Kai Shu Tsai lb. 8
Pumpkin,—Tung Kwa ... lb. 3
Radish,—Hung Lo Pak Tsai ,, 6
Rhubarb (Fresh),—Tai Wong ... ,, —
Shallots,—Kong Chong Tau ... ,, 8
Spinach,—Yin Tsoi ... ,, 4
Tomatoes,—Fan Ke ... ,, 7
Taros,—Wu Tau ... ,, 6
Turnips, Punti, (Long),—Lo Pak ,, 4
Vetable Marrow,—Tsit Kwa ... ,, 4
Water Cress,—Sai Yeung Tsoi ... ,, 15
,, Lily root,—Lin Ngau ... ,, 6
Yams,—Tai Shu ... ,, 6

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WEATHER REPORT.

May 29d. 12h. 13m.—No returns from Japan and Wladivostock. Pressure has increased moderately along the China coast, and decreased slightly over Indo-China and the Philippines; it remains low over China generally, and a depression centre is indicated to the N.W. of Haiphong.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 2.32 inches. Total since January 1st, 11.86 inches, against an average of 22.34 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 30th May:—

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock: S. winds, moderate; cloudy, showery.

2.—Formosa Channel: The same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks: The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY HONGKONG; DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

MAY 29, 1918.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather.
Wladiostock	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Memuro	5 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hakodate	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kochi	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oshima	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Naha	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ishi'jima	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bonin Island	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Weihaiwei	6 a.	29.73	58	91	s	2	b
Hankow	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ichang	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kinkiang	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Changsha	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	,,	29.80	63	100	SE	1	b
Gutzlaff	,,	29.76	63	100	s	2	b
Sharp Pk.	,,	29.85	71	85	NE	2	o
Amoy	,,	29.71	73	95	NE	2	o
Swatow	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taihoku	5 a.	29.73	72	98	E	2	o
Taichu	,,	29.74	73	—	—	0	r
Tainan	,,	29.74	73	—	ENE	2	r
Koshun	,,	29.73	77	—	N	4	o
Pescadores	,,	29.72	73	—	s	4	r
Canton	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hongkong	,,	29.66	77	91	E	3	o
Gap Rock	,,	29.63	—	—	s	3	c
Macao	,,	29.62	77	98	SSE	1	o
Wuchow	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hoihow	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phulien	7 a.	29.56	79	84	SSW	2	b
Tourane	,,	29.67	84	—	W	2	o
C. St. James	,,	29.78	79	—	WSW	4	o
Aparri	6 a.	29.76	77	91	s	2	o
Dagupan	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	,,	29.79	79	95	E	1	o
Legaspi	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tacloban	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iloilo	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Surigao	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Guam	4.20	—	—	—	—	—	—
Labuan	6 a.	29.74	78	95	SW	2	•

T. F. CLAXTON, *Director.*

Hongkong Observatory, May 29, 1918.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.
2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.
6. STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squall, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew, wet.
7. RAIN in inches, tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day at 3 p.m.	On date at 9 a.m.	On date at 3 p.m.
Barometer	29.62	29.66	29.67
Temperature	80	77	82
Humidity	66	91	60
Direction of Wind	SW	E	E
Force	4	3	1
Weather	c	o	o
Rain	0.00	0.07	2.32

Highest [illegible] Temperature on the [illegible]. Lowest [illegible] air Temperature on the [illegible].

T. F. CLAXTON, *Director.*

Hongkong Observatory, May 29, 1918.

MAIL NOTICE

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 29TH MAY, 1918.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

OUTWARD MAILS.

REGISTERED and PARCEL MAILS close 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated.

FOR	DATE	
Shanghai and North China	Thursday, 30th,	10.00 A.M.
Japan via Moji, Canada, United States, Central, and South America and Europe via Vancouver	Thursday, 30th, Registration / Letters	9.45 A.M. / 10.30 A.M.
Saigon	Thursday, 30th,	2.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China	Thursday, 30th,	2.00 P.M.
Haiphong	Thursday, 30th,	5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Friday, 31st,	Noon
Philippine Islands	Friday, 31st,	2.00 P.M.
JUNE		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung	Sunday, 2nd,	9.00 A.M.
STRAITS, BANGKOK, CEYLON, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT and *EUROPE via SUEZ	Sunday, 2nd, Registration / Friday, 31st, Letters	9.00 A.M. / 9.00 A.M.
The Parcel Mail will be closed on Saturday, 1st June, at 5 p.m.		
Weihaiwei and Tientsin	Monday, 3rd,	9.00 A.M.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO	Monday, 3rd, Registration / Letters	9.45 A.M. / 10.30 A.M.
Amoy	Tuesday, 4th,	2.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Takao	Thursday, 6th,	7.00 A.M.
Shanghai and North China	Thursday, 6th,	2.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Friday, 7th,	Noon

* Superscribed correspondence only.

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

HONGKONG, 29th MAY, 1918.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

11 A.M.

BANKS.
Hongkong Banks ... $585 s. & 585 sa.

MARINE INSURANCE.
Canton Ins. ... $330 b.
North China Ins. ... T.125 b.
Union Ins. ... $740 b.
Yangtsze Ins. ... $200 s. ex. $73

FIRE INSURANCES.
China Fire Ins. ... $124 b.
Hongkong Fire Ins. ... $310 b.

SHIPPING.
Douglases ... $66 n.
H.K. Steamboats ... $21 s.
Indo-China (Pref.) ... $32½ b.
Do. (Def.) $133½ b., 134/4½ sa.
Shells ... 120/- n.
Star Ferries ... $25 s.

REFINERIES.
China Sugars ... $83 b. & 85 s.
Malabon Sugars ... $29½ b.

MINING.
Kailan Mining Adm. ... 43/- b.
Langkats ... T. 10 n.
Raubs ... $2.80 s.
Tronoh Mines ... 36/- b.
Ural Caspians ... 15/- n.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.
H. & K. Wharfs ... $79 b. & 81 s.
H. & W. Docks $122 b. & 122/24 sa.
S'hai Docks ... T. 109½ b. & 110 sa.

LANDS, HOTELS, & BUILDINGS.
Central Estates ... $90 n.
Hongkong Hotels ... $88 b.
Hongkong Lands $83 b. & 84 sa.
Humphreys ... $5.50 sa.
Kowloon Lands ... $25 b.
West Points ... $73 s.

COTTON MILLS.
Ewo Cottons ... T. 175 n.
Kung Yiks ... T. 15 n.
Laou Kung Mows ... T. 112½ n.
Orientals ... T. 51 n.
Shanghai Cottons ... T. 137 n.
Yangtszepoos ... T. 8.30 n.

MISCELLANEOUS.
Cements ... $6.70/75 sa.
China-Borneos ... $8.25 n.
China Lights ... $4.00 b.
China-Providents $7.25 b. & 7.25 sa.
Dairy Farms ... $28 s.
H.K. Electrics ... $49 b.
Hongkong Ropes ... $25 b.
H.K. Tramways ... $6.40 n.
Peak Tramways (Old) ... $6.60 b.
do. (New) ... $.75 b.
Steam Laundries ... $4.00 s.
H.K. Steel Foundry ... $10 b.
Water-boats ... $11 n.
Watsons ... $5.10 b. & 5.20 sa.
Powells ... $8.00 b.
Wisemans ... $25 n.

SINGAPORE RUBBER SHARE MARKET.

MESSRS. FRASER AND CO.'S QUOTATIONS.

	SINGAPORE, May 17th.	
Alor Gajah ($1)	3.05	3.25
Amal. Malay fy. pd.	2.50	2.80
Ayer Hitam ($5)	13.00	15.00
Ayer Kuning ($1)	1.05	1.15
Ayer Molek ($1)	2.05	2.15
Ayer Panas ($5)	8.50	8.85
Balgownie ($1)	5.00	5.50
Bassett ($1)	0.90	1.00
Batang Benar ($10)	12.00	14.00
Batu Lintang ($10)	1.00	1.50pm
Bukit Jelotong ($1)	0.50	0.60
Bukit Katil ($1)	0.75	0.85
Bukit Kepong ($1)	2.25	2.75
Bukit Timah ($10)	...	11.00
Bukit K. B. ($1)	0.65	0.75
Changkat S'dang ($5)	6.25	6.75
Glenealy Plns. ($1)	1.90	2.10
Haytor ($5)	7.25	7.75
Indragiri ($5)	5.25	5.75
Jeram ($1)	1.15	1.25
Jimah ($1)	1.25	1.45
Kamasan ($2)	4.50	4.90
Kedah ($1)	3.50	4.00
Kelemak R. ($5)	5.50	6.25
Kempas ($5)	7.75	8.25
Kluang ($5)	5.00	5.50
Lunas ($5)	5.75	6.25
Malaka Pinda	2.00	2.10
Malakoff ($2)	4.15	4.25
Mandai-Tekong ($1)	0.50	0.65
Mergui ($5)	5.75	6.25
New Serendah ($2)	3.85	4.20
Nyalas ($5)	5.75	6.15
Pajam ($5)	11.00	11.50
Pantai ($1)	1.15	1.22
Parit Perak ($1)	2.10	2.25
Perak River ($1)	2.00	2.25
Pulau Bulang ($10)	4.00	4.10
Punggor ($1)	0.60	0.70
Radella ($5)	8.00	10.00
Sandycroft ($2)	3.25	3.75
Scudai ($5)	5.75	6.25
Sembrong ($1)	0.20	0.30
Sungei Bagan ($2)	3.00	3.50
Sungei Patani ($1)	0.40	0.60pm
Tambalak ($1)	0.75	0.90
Tapah ($10)	13.50	14.50
Teluk Anson ($5)	9.50	10.00
Trafalgar ($2)	1.10	1.20
Temerloh ($1)	1.00	1.25
Ulu Pandan ($1)	0.60	0.75
United Malacca ($1)	0.90	1.00
Utan Simpan ($1)	3.00	4.00

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, May 29, 1918.

On London—
Bank, Wire ... 3/2
,, On demand ... 3/2¼
,, 30 days' sight ... 3/2¼
,, 4 months' sight ... 3/2¾
Credits, 4 months' sight ... 3/3¼
Documentary, 4 months' sight 3/3⅜

On Paris—
On demand ... 432
Credits, 4 months' sight ... 446½

On New York—
On demand ... 75⅝
Credits, 60 days' sight ... —

On Bombay—
Wire ... —
On demand ... nom.

On Calcutta—
Wire ... —
On demand ... nom.

On Singapore—
On demand ... 135¼

On Manila—
On demand ... 151

On Shanghai—
On demand ... nom.
10 days' sight (private paper) —

On Yokohama—
On demand ... 143½

Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael) ... 47.20
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) $ 6.25
Silver (per oz.) ... 48½d.
Bar Silver in Hongkong ... 25% p. nom.
Chinese Copper Cash ... 3% pm.
Chinese Copper Cents ... [illegible]
Rate of Native Interest ... 7% [illegible]
Chinese Sub. Coin ... [illegible]
Hongkong Sub. Coin ... par.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1906-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

May 30th to June 5th, 1918.

Day	Date	High Water Hongkong Mean Time	High Water Height	Low Water Hongkong Mean Time	Low Water Height
Thur	30	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fri	31	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sat	1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sun	2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mon	3	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tues	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Wed	5	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

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